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For: METHODS, SYSTEMS AND :

SECURITIES FOR ASSURING A COMPANY AN OPPORTUNITY TO SELL STOCK AFTER A SPECIFIED

TIME

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 9, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 9, 2008 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The July 9, 2008 Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response, i.e., by October 9, 2008. A Petition for a three-month extension of time is being filed herewith.

Accordingly, a reply is now due by January 9, 2009 and this Amendment is being timely filed.